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REF: STATE 132801

PLEASE PASS TREASURY

1. EMBOFF EXPLAINED USG POSITION GIVEN REFTEL ON SUBJECT WORLD BANK/IMF PROPOSALS TO MIN FIN OFFICIAL. HE REPLIED THAT GOS PLANS ACCEPT GOVERNOR'S SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION ON REMUNERATION OF EXECTIVE DIRECTORS AND ALTERNATES. WHILE NOTING USG POSITION OF OPPOSITION TO THESE PROPOSALS, HE SAID GOS HAD MUCH GREATER INTEREST IN PROPOSAL TO RAISE INTEREST RATES ON WORLD BANK/IMF LOANS. GOS WILL OPPOSE ANY INCREASE IN INTEREST ON ORDINARY LOANS (SINGAPORE IS NOT ELEIGIBLE FOR SPECIAL LOANS). PROPOSAL AS GIVEN TO GOS FOR THEIR VOTE IS TO RAISE INTEREST RATE FROM PRESENT 7 1/4 PERCENT TO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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EIGHT PERCENT. MINFIN OFFICIAL REASONED THAT AS SINGAPORE

WOULD HAVE LIMITED INFLUENCE IN UPCOMING MEETING, GOS WOULD CONCENTRATE ON ATTEMPT TO STOP RISE IN INTEREST RATES FOR ORDINARY LOANS. THIS MATTER HE FELT WAS OF CENTRAL IMPORTANCE TO SINGAPORE AS A LOAN RECIPIENT COUNTRY. SINGAPORE DOES NOT HAVE ITS OWN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR ALTERNATE, INSTEAD BEING REPRESENTED BY DIRECTOR FOR SOUTHEAST ASIAN BLOC.

2. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE GUIDANCE OF USG POSITION ON PROPOSAL TO RAISE INTEREST LOANS ON WORLD BANK/IMF LOANS. GRANT

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